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SUBJ: INVITATIONS TO LOS CONF

1. PRC STATEMENT IN FIRST COMITE AM OCT 22 (SEPTTEL)
SUGGESTS, HOPEFULLY, THAT THERE WILL NOT RPT NOT BE
FORTHCOMING PROPOSALS TO INVITE PRG OR GRUNK TO PARTICI-
PATE IN LOS CONF. WE ARE ALSO INFORMED, POSSIBLY LESS
RELIABLY, THAT AF'S WILL CONTENT THEMSELVES WITH A
PROPOSAL TO INVITE GUINEA-BISSAU, PUTTING NAMIBIA ETC.
ASIDE FOR THE MOMENT.

2. FRANCE WILL ABSTAIN ON GUINEA-BISSAU INVITATION;
UK WILL VOTE AGAINST. HOW MUCH OTHER EC-9 OPPOSITION
WILL DEVELOP REMAINS DOUBTFUL.

3. CONSISTENT WITH DEPT'S RECENT INSTRUCTIONS ON OTHER
GUINEA-BISSAU ISSUES, WHEN ISSUE ARISES IN NEXT DAY OR
SO WE WOULD, UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, VOTE AGAINST
AND MAKE BRIEF FOL STATEMENT IN EXPLANATION OF VOTE:

"MY DELEGATION'S VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSAL TO
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INVITE GUINEA-BISSAU TO ATTEND THE THIRD U.N. CONFERENCE

ON THE LAW OF THE SEA IS A CONSEQUENCE OF OUR RECOGNITION
POLICY. WE CONTINUE TO CONSIDER PORTUGAL RESPONSIBLE FOR
THE ADMINISTRATION OF GUINEA-BISSAU, AND REAFFIRM OUR
SUPPORT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION IN AFRICA AS ELSEWHERE
IN THE WORLD."

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